

Southeastern Virginia Training Center LHRC Meeting
January 18, 2012

Committee Members Present:

Sam Moore, Chair
Diane Watkins, Vice-Chair
Karen Richardson
Stefanie Ward

Guests:

Stewart Prost, Advocate
Luan Thomas, Support
Mark Douglass

Affiliates Present:

Kwame Edusei	Achievers Counseling Services
Andrea Bond	Care Group
Felicia Cambridge	Coop's Vision
Jean White	Creative Living Community Services
Betty Banks	Creative Living Community Services
Nancy Greene	In Caring Hands
	LightHouse/Life Changers
Sarita Lee	Everyday Angels

Affiliates Absent:

Leo Gloria	Casa de Gloria
Danielle Gail	Moving Forward Family Services

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Sam Moore, Chair.

II. Approval of agenda

The agenda was presented by the chair. A motion was made to accept the agenda, it was seconded and approved with all in favor.

III. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes with corrections.

IV. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

V. Advocate's Report

Mr. Prost stated that the quarterly advocates report had been emailed and he had paper copies if anyone wanted one. A copy of the report will be attached.

He introduced Mark Douglass, who is expected to be approved when the SHRC meets on January 27. His appointment will fill this committee until this summer when a consumer and professional member will step down. He urged providers to be thinking about interested parties who could fill those positions.

He noted that Narissa Rose has been hired as the advocate in the Williamsburg area. She will complete her training in a month or so.

He also reminded providers to email their quarterly reports to all committee members and to him.

VI. New Business

The only item on the agenda was removed from the agenda by Mr. Prost.

VII. Human Rights Quarterly Reports

See the attachment for the summary of the third fourth reports received by and presented to this committee:

VIII. Next Meeting date

The LHRC meets monthly at SEVTC. The next meeting date is February 15, 2012 at 8:00 am.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Sam Moore, Chair

SOUTHEASTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER

ADVOCATE'S BI-MONTHLY REPORT

November-December, 2011

Ongoing Issues/Activities-Southeastern Virginia Training Center (SEVTC)

Status of SEVTC Complaints

Total Complaints for the Period from November 1-December 31, 2011: 0

Cases Closed: 0

Cases Pending: 0

Level of Complaint: Informal: 0 Formal: 0

At present, there are no complaints open in CHRIS.

Status of Abuse Cases

Total Abuse Cases for the Period November 1-December 31, 2011: (9)

Cases Closed: 2

Cases Pending: 7

Disposition: No Abuse: 1 Abuse Substantiated: 1

Types of Abuse:

Physical: 0

Sexual: 0

Verbal: 1

Neglect: 7

Restraint: 1

Exploitation: 0

At present, there are 7 cases open in CHRIS. The (7) open cases are related to one instance where a staff member was found sleeping on the job. The incident was reported on November 10. Extensions have been granted in this case due to the illness of the investigator. It is expected the reports on those cases will be completed by January 6, 2012. In order to make sure that all investigations will be done in a timely manner, SEVTC has designated another employee who has been trained in doing investigations to assist the current investigator

There was (1) allegation of inappropriate use of restraint which was unsubstantiated. Recommendations for policy changes made based on the investigation. (This case was a reinvestigation of an incident that occurred earlier this year.)

The final case was an allegation of verbal abuse, which was substantiated against a contract employee.

Discharge Activities

In the past, SEVTC has identified residents as “discharge ready” when there is agreement between SEVTC staff, the resident, and where appropriate the resident’s Authorized Representative that the resident is ready for discharge, and active discharge planning starts. Now, SEVTC is making discharge plans for all residents, as discharge goals are identified when a person comes to SEVTC. As community placements are identified for individuals, discharge planning moves forward. SEVTC no longer maintains a “discharge ready” list.

During the past two months, one resident has been discharged from the facility to a Medicaid Waiver Home in the community. One resident is expected to be discharged within the next 30 days. It is also expected that another 9 residents will be discharged within the next 60 days. The aforementioned will depend upon the availability of new community programs that meet the needs of these individuals. At present, the facility has 113 residents.

Use of Restraint and Time Out at SEVTC

I continue to monitor the use of physical and mechanical restraint, time out, and the use of as needed (PRN) medications through the following activities:

- I receive monthly reports on the use of time-out, as well as physical and mechanical restraint.
- I attend the meetings of the Behavioral Treatment Review Committee (BTRC), which meets monthly.
- I am advised by phone whenever restraint is used in the facility.
- I receive a report each month on the use of PRN (as needed medications). I review the report to see if there are any trends in the use of such medications.

Use of Physical, Mechanical Restraint December 2010-November, 2011

Month	Residents Requiring Mechanical Restraint	Frequency of Use of Mechanical Restraint	Residents Requiring the Use of Physical Restraint	Frequency of Use of Physical Restraint
December	2	2	2	2
January	2	2	2	2
February	1	1	2	2
March	1	1	2	2
April	2	3	2	2
May	4	6	4	4
June	4	5	4	4
July	4	6	4	4
August	1	1	0	0
September	1	1	1	1
October	2	2	2	2
November	2	2	1	1

Use of Timeout
December, 2010-November, 2011

Month	Residents Requiring the Use of Time Out (as defined in the current Human Rights Regulations)	Frequency of Use of Time Out
December	5	13
January	5	14
February	5	16
March	5	15
April	5	11
May	4	12
June	6	8
July	5	9
August	3	10
September	5	10
October	1	5
November	2	7

Trends/Findings: The tables above show the use of physical & mechanical restraint, as well as the use of time out for a twelve month period from December 1, 2010-November 30, 2011. (November is the last month that I have figures for.) The use of physical and mechanical restraint has increased slightly as compared to the previous two months. There is no particular reason for this increase. SEVTC is continuously working on reducing the use of restraint. The use of time out as an intervention has decreased as compared to the previous two months. In October, only one resident required time out as an intervention. This has been a continuing trend throughout the period covered by the table above. The use of as needed medications continues to remain the same as in the past year.

Local Human Rights Committee (LHRC) Activities-Southeastern Virginia Training Center:

During the past two months, this LHRC had two regular meetings, on November 17 & December 21. There was a quorum for both meetings. At its December 21 meeting, the committee interviewed and recommended to the State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) the appointment of an individual to fill the consumer vacancy on the committee. It is expected that the SHRC will approve the appointment of this person at their next meeting which is scheduled for January 27, 2012. With this appointment, the committee will have no vacancies.

Future Plans for SEVTC

In 2009, the General Assembly voted to authorize funding to rebuild SEVTC, having it resized to 75 residents. During this reporting period, there were no specific meetings related to future plans for the facility. Construction on the 15 new homes is near completion. It is expected that the first five homes will be turned over to SEVTC at the end of January, 2012. It is expected that five more homes will be turned over to the facility by around March 1. Finally, the last five homes should be turned over by the end of April. SEVTC plans to start moving residents into the new homes on or about March 1. Since it will be some time before the community Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICFMR) homes will be open, it is expected that SEVTC will continue to operate some of the old cottages through 2012.

Additional Activities

- I provided advocacy services to 14 consumers in the community.
- During this time period, I have worked at Eastern State Hospital one to two days per week. Until the second advocate at Eastern is fully trained, I expect to continue working at Eastern State Hospital at this present schedule.
- I spoke to the SEVTC Parents’ Group on November 13.

SEVTC Advocacy Activities		Number	
Hours			
Information & Referral	14	4.5	
Patient/Resident/Consumer/Family Conferences	10	10	
Meetings, Hearings, and Staffings	0	0	
Individual Plan/Record/Program Reviews	19	2	
Facility Policy/Procedure Review	0	0	
Ward (Cottage Visits)	15	5	
S/R Review	0	0	
Incident Reviews	0	0	

QUARTER	1st	JANUARY - MARCH																				Met In Executive Session
	2nd	APRIL - JUNE																				
	3rd	JULY - SEPTEMBER																				
	4th	OCTOBER - DECEMBER			X																	
Provider Name	# of Clients	Status of Allegation of Abuse and Neglect			Total of Alleged Counts								Total of Occurred Counts								Yes/ No	
		Alleged	Pending	closed	P	S	V	N	PP	E	O	R	P	S	V	N	PP	E	O	R		
Achievers Counseling Services	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Care Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Casa de Gloria Residential Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Coop's Vision *																						
Creative Living Community Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Everyday Angels																						
In caring Hands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Lighthouse Community Center	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Moving Forward Family Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Rize, LLC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
SEVTC	113	16	7	10	2	0	1	12*	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	N		
Specialized Youth Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Terry's Place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		
Vigilant Mindz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N		

Key:

P = Physical
S = Sexual
V = Verbal
N = Neglect
PP = Peer to Peer
E = Exploitation
O = Other
R = Restraint

COMMENTS: SEVTC always conducts a rule/out investigation for neglect whenever on-campus deaths occur. There were two on-campus death/investigation during this quarter. The results of both investigations were unsubstantiated.

